SENATE RESOLUTION 149 By Kurita

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Soera Jean Brandon, 2002 Valedictorian of Northwest High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Soera Jean Brandon is one such exceptional student who was recently named the Valedictorian of the 2002 graduating class at Northwest High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Soera has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, during her remarkable high school career, Soera has been a member of her school and community; she has been active in the *Northwest Viking Courier*, Interact Club, and D.A.R.E., where she served as a Role Model for two years; highly public-spirited, she has helped to raise funds for the St. Jude Beta Club and Time for Toys, and she received the Prudential Spirit of Community Award; and

WHEREAS, among other honors, she was selected for Volunteer Girls State and the Governor's School for Humanities and was an Excelling in Education Solid Gold recipient; and

WHEREAS, Miss Brandon is a respected leader among her peers and has served as President of the National Honor Society, Associated Student Government Senior Representative, Sophomore Secretary and Treasurer; and Beta Club Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, Soera's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, her dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor and commend Soera Jean Brandon on being the 2002 Valedictorian of Northwest High School and wish her well in her future endeavors.

BE IT TURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of the resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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